

# WEST AFRICA

## Ebola Outbreak



**Largest Ebola outbreak in history**



**Likely host = bats**

**2 in 5**

people who got Ebola in this outbreak died.

## How do you get Ebola?

Direct contact with

- 1 Body fluids of a person who is sick with or has died from Ebola** (blood, vomit, pee, poop, sweat, semen, spit, other fluids)
- 2 Objects contaminated with the virus** (needles, medical equipment)
- 3 Infected fruit bats or primates** (apes and monkeys)
- 4 Possibly semen from a man who has recovered from Ebola** (by having oral, vaginal, or anal sex)

## Symptoms

Symptoms can appear from 2 to 21 days after exposure.

- **Fever**
- **Headache**
- **Fatigue**
- **Diarrhea**
- **Vomiting**
- **Stomach pain**
- **Unexplained bleeding or bruising**
- **Muscle pain**

## When is someone able to spread the disease to others?

**A person is only contagious** after Ebola symptoms begin.



**After 21 days**, if an exposed person does not develop symptoms, they will not become sick with Ebola.

MONTH						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

**It is possible that Ebola can spread through semen from men who have survived.**



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